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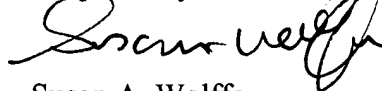
Pursuant to their duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) Applicants submit herewith the references cited on the attached PTO-1449.

Copies of the references are not submitted herewith, but can be found in parent application file U.S. Serial No. 09/915,406, filed July 27, 2001.

Applicant respectfully request that the Examiner consider these references in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 C.F.R. § 104.

It is believed that no fee is required to ensure consideration of the cited references by the Examiner. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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